

# Tennessee Yellow-eyed Grass

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**IDENTIFICATION:** The Tennessee Yellow-eyed Grass (*Xyris tennesseensis*) grows in association with ferns, willows, buttonbush, and bulrushes in seeps, springs and on banks of small streams. It is grass-like with 5 - 17 inch slender twisted leaves. Small pale yellow flowers appear in August and September.

**FORESTRY CONSIDERATIONS:** The plant occurs in natural openings and prefers sunlight. It may tolerate thinnings, though site preparation, clearcutting and other forestry operations might be very damaging to this plant. Some herbicides may also adversely affect it.

**DISTRIBUTION BY COUNTY:** Found in Bibb, Calhoun and Franklin counties in Alabama.



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